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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

This paper is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed Feb. 24, 2004, in the above-referenced application.

With a one-month petition for extension of time and payment of the appropriate fee, and since April 24, 2004 was a Saturday, Applicants do not believe any additional fees are due with this filing. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21402-269 (Cura 569).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

1. Amendment and Response to Requirement for Restriction (7 pages);

- 2. Copy of Petition and Amendment to Correct Inventorship Under 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b) (2 pages);
- 3. Petition for One-Month extension of time (1 page);
- 4. Check No. 18353 in the amount of \$55.00 for Petition fee; and
- Return postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No.21402-269 (Cura 569).

Respectfully submitted,

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